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## The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DES VŒUX ROAD CL.  
LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.  
HONGKONG, 1st April, 1904

The steady advance of the Japanese troops in Corea is manifested in the telegrams published the last two days. They have successfully repulsed a Russian attack at Chongfu, or Chongju, as it is generally spelt on the maps. This is a town about ten miles further along the road to Wiju than Kasan, which was the advanced post of the Japanese when last reported. The telegrams vary somewhat in their accounts of the fight. The Japanese appear to have had both infantry and cavalry, though REUTER only mentions infantry. The Russians, according to the same authority, were Cossack troops; they were 600 in number, says the Japanese official account. The collision took place outside the south gate of Chongju and the Russians were driven back, the Japanese then occupying the town. The losses are variously estimated. The Russians allow 15 killed and wounded on their side; the Japanese found nine or ten of their dead on the field and in the fortifications. The Japanese official report gives five killed and twelve wounded; but REUTER says that 50 Japanese were killed, deriving his information from an unknown source. The affair was one of outpost, it is clear, and the Russian defeat is not significant, except as showing that they are not in great force south of Wiju now. The Japanese have advanced to within 70 miles of Wiju on the main road, and Wiju is but a few miles of the Yalu estuary. They seem to be moving forward at a more rapid rate than before, having by this time presumably strengthened their line of communications and established their commissariat on a sound footing. What is happening to the "considerable Cossack force" operating east-south-east of the Japanese advance, of which we were told

from S. Petersburg a few days ago, we do not know. Perhaps it is limiting its attention to a Japanese movement from the direction of Gensan. Of such a manoeuvre we hear nothing whatever from the Japanese—a fact which does not, of course, prove its non-existence. It does not seem probable that there is any large force of Russians, even of Cossacks, in Corea, except possibly just south of the Yalu. If the Japanese continue to push forward with the whole of their First Army, it seems likely that they will before long accomplish their first purpose, that of clearing Korean territory of the enemy.

But when they have driven the Russians out of Corea, it may be asked, what will be their plan of campaign then? It is interesting to note that about two weeks ago the military correspondent who is writing in the Times on the Russo-Japanese war gave a piece of counsel to Japan which certainly merits attention. He strongly advised the Japanese, so a telegram to the Indian papers states, to regard the seizure of Port Arthur, Corea, and Vladivostok as ending Russian dominion in East Asia, and he deprecated an advance to Harbin. What Japan's actual plans are we cannot, of course, pretend to know, but we should hardly think they contemplate a perilous advance far into North Manchuria. If within reasonable time they can bring about the fall of Port Arthur and Vladivostok they will at the same time annihilate the Russian fleet, and it would be very many years before Russia could venture to meet Japan at sea again. Then, with full control of North-east Asiatic waters in Japanese hands, it is difficult to see how Russia could hope to recover either of her strongholds; while in Corea Japan could render her position impregnable, the configuration of the country and the nearness of Japan's base of supplies making this a comparatively easy task for a military nation. Newchwang would have to be evacuated by the Russians, if not already captured by the Japanese, an event to which we may look forward unless something very startling occurs. And then?—again it may be asked. Well, we do not see what Russia could do to regain her position, or indeed to prolong the struggle, unless she could drag China into it, which all the Powers are bound to do their best to prevent. On the other hand, Port Arthur and Vladivostok may hold out and Japan may be beaten on the Yalu. Russia may make her weight tell. In that case, it remains to be seen whether the Powers, or rather certain of the Powers, can afford to see Russian predominance and Japan crushed. We believe not, and in spite of the selfishness of international politics we think that Japan will in any case reap the reward of her bravery.

To-day being Good Friday, there will be no issue of the Daily Press to-morrow, Saturday. The next appearance will be on Monday, the 4th inst.

One plague case was reported in the Colony during the day ending at noon yesterday, a Chinaman being found dead on some vacant ground near a building-yard at Mongkok.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Nethercole Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals:—D. MacDonald \$25.

The Russian Press has discovered a fresh grievance against the United States in the proposal to lay a cable from Japan to Guam. This is a private proposal by a commercial cable company of old standing, which the U.S. Government has been considering with reference to its neutral obligations.

The salary of H.E. Sir Henry Blake, as Governor of Colombo, was, by vote at the last Legislative Council held in Colombo, raised from 80,000 rupees to 90,000 rupees per annum, of which 18,000 rupees is to be regarded as an entertainment allowance, to be used by the Governor, or in his absence on leave, by the Officer Administering the Government.

The Manager of the Chartered Bank informed us yesterday that he had that morning received the following telegram from the Head Office in London:—"At the approaching meeting of shareholders, the directors will recommend a dividend for the past half-year at 10 per cent. per annum, free of income tax, that £75,000 be placed to reserve, which will then stand at £200,000, and that £25,000 be carried forward as undivided profit."

An American paper says:—"The spectacle of the mighty Russian Empire, with its terrifying military traditions and its symbolic ravenous bear, sprawled on all fours, in a continual whine for the sympathy of the world, would be one to touch the pity of mankind were it not so essentially grotesque." The writer proceeds, like many others, to couple Count Lamsdorff's Circular with M. Muraviev's remarks, and to demonstrate the American view that Japan has the better position in facts and law.

Mr. T. Sorcombe Smith sat in the Summary Court yesterday as Puisne Judge.

The net total revised naval estimates submitted to the British Parliament for 1903-4 is £35,727,500.

Sir Archibald and Lady Edmonston, Lady Caroline Roche, are at present staying in Hongkong. Sir Alexander Baird is at Canton.

Mr. Ben. Viljoen, an ex-general of the Boer army, reports that Mr. Paul Kruger, the ex-President of the South African Republic, is dying at Montone, and that his mind is fast decaying.

As varying accounts of the result of the last match played by Mr. Warner's team in Australia have appeared in Far Eastern papers—though the Hongkong papers gave the correct account—we reproduce the following telegram to Indian papers, dated Adelaide Oval, 15th March:—"In drizzly weather, on an easy wicket, England scored 184 runs for one wicket, thus defeating South Australia by nine wickets. Warner made 54, Foster 73 not out, and Tyldesley 50 not out. The scores were: South Australia, 259 and 77; Warner's Eleven, 154 and 184 for one wicket."

## NAVAL NOTES.

H.M. battleships *Centurion*, *Glory* (flying the flag of Admiral Sir Gerald H. Noel, Commander-in-Chief), *Albion* (flying the flag of Rear-Admiral the Hon. A. G. Curzon-Howe, C.B., C.M.G.), *Vengeance*, and *Ocean*, and the cruisers *Blenheim*, *Cressy*, and *Amphitrite* returned from Mirs Bay yesterday. H.M. cruiser *Sirius* towed out some targets, and great activity was noticed amongst the British torpedo-destroyers. The Chinese gun-boat *Fuk Po*, Capt. Kew, arrived from Canton yesterday, having left that port on the 30th.

## LEAVITT'S TROUBADOURS.

This Anglo-American variety company is expected to open a short season at the City Hall on the 11th inst. The company is now playing in Singapore, and judging from what the Press of that City has to say of it, it must be rather above the average of those that visit this Colony, being a large and capable organisation. There are several new musical farces and comedies amongst their repertoire, besides a number of specialties.

## UNION CHURCH LITERARY CLUB.

The Union Church Literary Club marked the close of their season last evening with a social. Several of the members contributed vocally, and a few little speeches were made. Some interesting lectures and good debates, it will be remembered, were given during the season.

## A VISIT TO COSMOPOLITAN DOCKS.

It may not be generally known that there is a large amount of shipbuilding done at the Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co.'s Cosmopolitan Dock premises. The launch *Conant* was built there, and a tankwood steam-boat is now in course of construction for the Chefoo Customs, while another, also of tankwood, is being built, as we understand, on spec. The new West River steamer for Messrs. Butterfield & Swire is being completed there, and may possibly be ready for service by the 15th of this month. H.M.S. *Otter*, a torpedo-boat destroyer, is in dry-dock receiving doubling plates, about 3/16th of an inch thick, on the bottom and deck level. We understand that the Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co. have received a very large order from the Admiralty in this respect, some seven or eight torpedo-boats having to be fitted in the same manner as the *Otter*. A new launch for Kwong Yip Loong Hong has just been built, and is now upon the slipway for coppering. She is about 150ft. in length, intended for passenger and freight trade on the West River. An Indo-China launch, too, is on the slips; there are other small jobs; and the workshops and sawmills are busy.

By kind permission of Lt.-Col. Fremonger and officers, the Band of the 93rd Burma Infantry will play the following programme of music at the King Edward Hotel during dinner to-night (weather permitting):—  
March..... "The Washington Post"  
Overture..... "Nell Gwynne"..... Edward German  
Selection..... "Flowerdew"..... Leslie Stuart  
Song..... "Auld Waver"..... Gustav Freytag  
Selection..... "Reminiscences of Scotland" Godfrey Wake  
"Hans"..... "Jolly Negroes"..... Margie  
Cake Walk..... "God Save the King"..... Berger

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Roast Saddle of Mutton and Baked Potatoes  
Cold Wild Duck.  
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BALAD.  
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Plum Pudding Gooseberry Pie  
Orange Ice Cream Finger Cake.  
DESSERT.

## TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS]

## THE WAR

ENGAGEMENT AT CHENGJU.

London, 30th Mar., 11 a.m.

General Mishchenko reports that he attacked a body of Japanese infantry at Chengju, north of the Chong-chen-gang River, Corea, on Monday last, and retired after ninety minutes' fighting, having 15 killed and wounded. The Japanese loss is not stated.

## NEUCHWANG.

London, 30th Mar., 11 a.m.

The British and United States Governments are taking no action with regard to Russian procedure at Newchwang. The British Government has requested Russia to protect British subjects.

## THE "MANDJOUR" DISMANTLED.

SHANGHAI, 31st Mar. 11.25 p.m.

The Russian gun-boat "Mandjour" has been completely dismantled, and the Japanese cruiser waiting for her has now sailed.

[Vital portions of the large guns, the small arms and other offensive fittings of the Russian *Mandjour* have been deposited with the Imperial Customs authorities at Shanghai, while the shells, ammunition and torpedoes have been placed on a small Chinese gunboat of the "mosquito" fleet for safe keeping. This boat also being under the control of the Customs.—Ed. D. P.]

## THE KAISER'S TOUR.

## REPORTED ILL-HEALTH.

London, Mar. 31st, 11.25 a.m.

The Kaiser—now on a visit to King Victor Emmanuel of Italy—is reported to be in ill-health, his condition causing some anxiety.

It is reported that the police at Rome have discovered an Anarchist plot against the Kaiser, and are taking extra precautions to ensure his safety.

## REUTER'S SERVICE.

## THE WAR—THE CHONGFU FIGHT.

London, 29th March.

It is reported at Seoul that an engagement took place on the 23rd instant between a detachment of Japanese infantry and Cossacks between Anju and Chongfu. The Japanese were victorious, the Russians retiring slowly. The Japanese had fifty killed; the Russian loss is not known.

## CHINESE LABOUR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

London, 29th March.

Mr. Lyttelton in the House of Commons said that in view of the success in dealing with recent outbreaks of plague in South Africa, he declined to prevent the introduction of Chinese labour.

## COLLISION IN HONGKONG HARBOUR.

## A BRITISH WARSHIP AND NORWEGIAN FREIGHTER.

While manoeuvring in the harbour, and making an approach to her moorings on her arrival back from Mirs Bay to Hongkong yesterday afternoon, H.M.S. *Centurion* fouled the *ss. Oscar II*, which arrived from Moji yesterday. The *Centurion*, as is known, is a first-class battleship, while the *Oscar II* is a Norwegian freighter. The latter had 4,200 tons of coal on board for the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, and was drawing 22 feet. Luckily the damage was slight.

## WAR NOTES.

## CONTRABAND IN THE RED SEA.

The Norwegian steamer *Mathilda*, of Bergen, which arrived in Colombo from Cardiff on the 17th ult., was detained by the Russians in the Red Sea for several days. Captain Tanwrig left Cardiff on the 31st January with 4,377 tons of the best Welsh steam coal for Japan, his orders being to deliver the cargo at Nagasaki. All went well during the progress through the Mediterranean, and though they came to learn casually that war had broken out between Japan and Russia, nothing was feared once the Canal was left behind. The *Mathilda* entered the Red Sea all well. She was making a fast passage and anticipated Colombo would be reached early in March. At midnight of the 20th, however, they were surprised by the Russians. The steamer was about 740 miles south of Suez when the look-out noticed a dark mass towards the south. Nothing could be made of it, and as there were no lights visible it could not be distinguished as a vessel. Suddenly, however, two shots were fired across the bows of the *Mathilda*, while searchlights were also brought into play. It was then seen that a large warship attended by a number of torpedo boats was manoeuvring a short distance ahead. The *Mathilda* soon hove to and boats from the man-of-war put out and a Russian officer and a party of marines boarded the steamer. Ascertaining that the *Mathilda* was carrying coal to Japan they took charge of her, it being explained to the captain that coal had been declared contraband of war. Captors and captive now started towards the north. Progress was very slow as several other steamers which were met were challenged and overhauled; and exactly seven days after her capture the *Mathilda* and some of her captors dropped anchor at Soudon Bay, 20 miles south of Suez on the Arabian coast. Negotiations were meanwhile being carried on by wire from Suez, and on Thursday, the 3rd March, the *Mathilda* was released. It was the original intention of the Russians to take their prize to Sebastopol, but the Egyptian Government firmly refused permission to the Russians to convey prizes through the Suez Canal; nor were they allowed to enter one of their ports with the prize. There was nothing, therefore, to be done, but to release the prize.

## A NECESSITY FOR ENGLAND.

The events now happening in the Far East show the absolute necessity of England retaining the command of the sea against any possible combination of Powers. In this connection, the *Morning Post* observes that "on the 1st of February the Russian naval force in the Far East was not by any means so far inferior to that of Japan that an early and complete preponderance could be regarded as secure for either side. No one could then have foretold that Russia would be caught with her forces so badly distributed that one detachment could be destroyed by tremendous odds, a second paralysed by its eccentric position, and the main body crippled by sudden torpedo attack, so that the balance of power would be completely overturned before there had been anything like a general engagement. What has just been seen on a small scale could very possibly be repeated on a larger scale. The resolve of any Naval power expected to be neutral to take the side opposed to Great Britain would almost certainly have that result, and might well lead to unfortunate events at sea. If the policy of Great Britain for offence and defence, which are as inseparable as the two sides of a coin, is to fit it for the command of the sea, the execution of that purpose must be prepared for by unremitting efforts in the departments of naval construction, of the training of personnel, and of the organisation of naval direction, and these must be supplemented by some systematic training to arms of those who aspire to full citizenship of the United Kingdom."

## RUSSIA'S PLEA FOR PATIENCE.

The following official communiqué was issued in February at St. Petersburg:—

Eight days have now elapsed since all Russia was shaken with profound indignation against an enemy who suddenly broke off negotiations and by a treacherous attack endeavoured to obtain an easy success in a war long desired. The Russian nation, with natural impatience, desires prompt vengeance, and feverishly awaits news from the Far East. The unity and strength of the Russian people leave no room for doubt that Japan will receive the chastisement she deserves for her treachery and her provocation of war at a time when our beloved Sovereign desired to maintain peace among all nations. The conditions under which hostilities are being carried on compel us to wait with patience for news of the success of our troops which cannot occur before decisive actions have been fought by the Russian army. The distance of the territory now attacked, and the desire of the Tsar to maintain peace, were the causes of the impossibility of preparations for war a long time in advance. Much time is now necessary in order to strike at Japan blows worthy of the dignity and might of Russia, and while sparing as much as possible the shedding of blood of her children, to inflict just chastisement on the nation which has provoked the struggle. Russia must await the event in patience, being sure that our army will avenge that provocation a hundredfold. Operations on land must not be expected for some time yet, and we cannot obtain early news from the theatre of war. The useless shedding of blood is unworthy of the greatness and power of Russia. Our country displays such unity and desire for self-sacrifice on behalf of the national cause that all true news from the scene of hostilities will be immediately due to the entire nation.

## A HINT FOR JAPAN.

The *Globe* writes:—"Our stake in Japan is somewhat larger than would appear from the list of national loans which are known here. There are many industrial companies in which

British capital has been invested from time to time, to say nothing of loans like that of the Osaka City Harbour Construction, which was, we believe, chiefly subscribed in this country. The rate of interest offered by Japanese harbour loans and industrial securities has always been seductively high, and the security having generally been considered very fair. Japan has had very little difficulty, whenever she appealed to English investors, in gaining a success. This she has achieved in spite of the fact that the law does not explicitly empower foreigners to hold land in the country, so that a foreclosed mortgage on assets on which money has been advanced would appear to be impossible. Recently it was stated that the law has been altered in such a way as to give the lender, even though he be a foreigner, the ordinary rights to which he is entitled on any default, but we have seen no official pronouncement on the point. It would certainly be a wise step to take if the Japanese Government were to make it quite clear that the English investor is not totally at the mercy of his debtor. Japan, however, the war may terminate, will have a great need of money one of these days. Mining and industries of many descriptions will require financing if they are to make satisfactory progress. There is little doubt that England will be quite willing to find her share of the needed capital, but it would certainly help, the inflow if no room were left for question as to whether foreigners have a right to acquire land or not.

## HONGKONG-BUILT LAUNCH FOR MANILA.

## THE DOCK COMPANY'S LATEST.

The Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., have just completed a 58-foot launch for Manila, the order having been received through Mr. M. Marti, of Morrison Hill Road. The little craft is built of mild steel. She is fitted with twin-screws to propel her at about ten knots. Her name is the *Conant*, and she is intended as a sort of ferry-boat to run between the various villages on Philippine lakes, the Pasig River, Laguna Bay, etc. Mr. R. Sorino is the owner. A large party of Mr. Marti's friends accompanied him to the Cosmopolitan Dock yesterday. The launch was built there, and is now undergoing the final touch-up. The party went over in a Dock launch from Blake Pier. Included in those present were Captains Ledesma and Roberts, Bassa Hermanson, Messrs. M. Ponce, McEwan, McCartney, W. A. Martin, and Dr. J. Lukhan. Dr. Lukhan, by the way, has had some very interesting, if unpleasant experiences of late. After some 18 years' hard work, practising his profession at Manila, he left for Tokyo, on a holiday. When he reached Hongkong on the return voyage he learned that the United States authorities had alleged conspiracy, sedition, or something of that sort against him, and though he claims he could easily prove himself innocent, he prefers to practise at Hongkong. The *Conant* is a trim little craft, fitted with a wood-work awning extending over her whole length. The holds will be utilised for cargo, while the deck may, when she arrives at her destination, be partly closed-in. Captain Roberts is to take her through the choppy seaway to Manila. The last of this gentleman's many Hongkong-to-Manila commands was the *Kaulung*, built at Hongkong for Insular Service. The *Conant* could not be in better hands. Mr. Marti is to be congratulated.

## CANTON.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

Canton, 30th March.

## SHUM EFFECTING REFORMS.

The Viceroy's policy from the beginning has been to weed out old, inefficient, or dishonest officials, and to put his favourites in their places. Thus the Pan-yi magistrate has recently been changed, and now it is announced that a new Nanhui, Fu-yue-mui, is to arrive shortly. Canton and its neighbourhood are divided between these two magistracies, and it is important that good men should be placed in such responsible positions.

## DRASTIC MEASURES TO BE ENFORCED.

The Pun-Yu magistrate departed last week for the district of Tai-pai-ho, to the East, where there has of late been a disturbance. He will probably restore order with a heavy hand. The prisoners taken on these judicial expeditions are brought back to Canton, where they are either summarily executed, or languish in gaol until one of the periodical "cleanings-out," when many criminals are beheaded.

Tsai Li Chun, who is in command of the river guard-boats, has been sent on an important commission to the North River district. A Triad chief named Li-pak-hoi has for long caused trouble, and he is now considered important enough to have an expedition fitted out against him. I hear that the Triads both north and south of the West River near Samshui and in all the North River district, are very powerful, and if allowed to go on unchecked, might become a source of danger to the Government.

## SMUGGLING ARMS.

Of late it has been discovered that arms are smuggled up the West River in ordinary cargo boats. They are concealed in such cargoes as straw, empty firewood boxes, and night-soil. For how long this trade has been going on it is impossible to say, but of late two such boats have been captured by Chinese gunboats.

## THE FIRE AND TAXATION.

The fire at Tong Yu Lan (opposite Shameen) has afforded an excellent occasion to the authorities for levying taxes. Ten of the *maisons-de-joye* which were then destroyed proved to have been sealed up by official order shortly before the fire. Permission has now been granted to the proprietors to rebuild these houses on payment of 6000 taels.



Thursday, 31st March.

## IN BANKRUPTCY.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR WILLIAM M. GOODMAN (CHIEF JUSTICE).

## ASCENDING DEBTORS.

Re the Ching Hang firm, *ex parte* the Joo Tek Sang firm. Mr. P. W. Goldring, of Mr. John Hastings's office, appeared in support of an application for adjudication on the debtors' estate. He also applied on behalf of the same applicants for adjudication on the estate of the Chi Leong firm.

His Lordship asked if there had been any statement of accounts filed?

Mr. Goldring said that in both cases the debtors had disappeared from the Colony.

Mr. Bruce Shepherd, Official Receiver, stated that in the first case he had made enquiries and had found out that the debtors had left behind them a book, which they had informed that they would be absent for a couple of months. In the case of the Chi Leong there were more partners. He understood that owing to some contract which they had entered into they were being prevented from returning to Hongkong.

His Lordship made an order of adjudication in both cases.

## C. E. LE MUNYON.

Mr. E. J. Grist, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, solicitors, appeared in support of an application by the New York Export and Import Company for adjudication on the estate of C. E. Le Munyon, photographer. He stated that Le Munyon's self of bankruptcy was that he had absented himself from the Colony and had suffered execution to be levied against him by seizure of his goods, which had been sold.

His Lordship—Any assets?

Mr. Grist—About \$4,000.

His Lordship made an adjudication order.

## CAMPBELL, MOORE AND CO., LD.

## ORDINARY MEETING.

The eighteenth ordinary meeting of shareholders in Campbell, Moore & Co., Ltd., was held yesterday at noon at the Company's office, No. 29, Queen's Road Central. Mr. J. W. Osborne (chairman) presided, and there were also present Messrs. V. P. Musso di Porcia (director), G. H. Potts, Murray Bain, G. Badola, A. O'D. Gourdin, H. P. Madar, and M. A. A. Souza. The notice calling the meeting having been read.

The CHAIRMAN said:—Gentlemen,—Thereport and accounts have been in your hands for some time now, and with your permission I will take them as read. As everything dealt with in the report and accounts as sent forth by the secretary of the company, I do not think there is anything I can say improving on what has been said already. I can say for the benefit of the shareholders that the business of the company so far this year is in a perfectly healthy condition, and we hope it will continue, and we hope we will be able to present you as good a report next year as we present you with now.

Mr. MURRAY BAIN seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

Mr. MUSSO moved the re-election of Mr. A. O'D. Gourdin as auditor.

Mr. POTT seconded, and the motion agreed to. This was all the business.

## POLICE COURT.

Thursday, 31st March.

BEFORE MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ (ACTING POLICE MAGISTRATE).

## PERSONATING A CONSTABLE.

Li Cheung was arrested for personating a constable at Yau-mat on the 30th inst. He was also charged with picking the pocket of a small boy and extracting 75 cents therefrom. It appeared that he was walking along the road when he saw two boys gambling and he went up and arrested them, and took the 75 cents out of the pocket of one of them. He was leading the two boys along holding them by their queues when Indian Constable No. 534 stopped him and asked what he was doing with the boys, and the defendant said he was a constable and had arrested the boys for gambling. The Indian constable knew that he was not a constable, and in his turn arrested the defendant. The boy then complained that the defendant had taken 75 cents out of his pocket. The constable then took them all to the station, and on searching defendant 75 cents were found in his pocket. Defendant admitted the offence, and said he "was asked by a detective who was a friend of his to do it." He was not a constable, and never had been one; he was a coolie working on a steamer in the harbour. His Worship convicted the man on both counts and sentenced him to 1 month's hard labour on the first count, and \$25 fine or 6 weeks' hard labour, with six hours in the stocks.

## THEFT OF ROPE.

Ng Lung, a boat-woman, was charged with being in possession of a coil of rope reasonably suspected of having been stolen on the 30th inst. in the harbour. The woman said the rope was given to her 20 years ago by her father-in-law. The woman, who had a tiny baby strapped to her back, did not look much more than 20 years old herself, while His Worship said the rope evidently was nothing like the ego. The rope was confiscated, and awaits an owner, and the defendant was sent to 1 month's hard labour.

## R.G.A. REGIMENTAL SPORTS.

## SECOND DAY.

The second (final) day of the R.G.A. sports unlike the former day, was favoured with glorious weather. There was a fair attendance, quite a number of ladies being amongst the throng. We dealt with the sports so thoroughly yesterday that little remains to be said, except of course, the results. The hand of the Sherwood Foresters, under Bandmaster E. J. Bradley, played the following selections:—

March..... "Blaze Away"..... Holzmahn  
Lancers..... "Bells of New York"..... Kerley  
Valse..... "Tender"..... Ruyse  
Selection..... "Three Little Maids"..... Ruyse  
Sketch..... "By the Swanee River"..... Myddleton  
Selection..... "A Country Girl"..... Monckton  
Two Step..... "Hiawatha"..... Moret  
Lancers..... "Dorothy"..... Bucalossi  
Valse..... "Midsummer"..... Marigold

Mrs. Kent presented the prizes. Results:—

1 MILE FLAT RACE.—Catterell (78th Co.), first; Chambers (78th Co.), second; Wood (78th Co.), third.

100 YARDS FLAT RACE.—Haing (80th Co.), first; Longman (80th Co.), second; H. Brown (83rd Co.), third.

TRUMPETER RACE.—Yeavis (28th Co.), first; Dillon (78th Co.), second.

QUARTER-MILE FLAT RACE.—Longman (80th Co.), first; Haing (80th Co.), second; Chambers (78th Co.), third.

HALE-MILE FLAT RACE.—Open to H.K.S. B.R.A. S. Mahomed, first; E. Bux, second; S. Din, third.

TILTING THE BUCKET.—Teams of two. Duleg and Cassidy, first; Fisher and Willshaw, second; West and Mandel, third.

WHEEL RACE.—Cullen (80th Co.), first; Connors (80th Co.), second; Piper (80th Co.), third.

1 MILE.—Open to R.N. and European Garrison and Police. Chambers (78th Co.), first; Catrall (78th Co.), second; Wittchell (Hongkong Volunteers), third.

SACK FIGHT.—Teams of 10. This was won by the 78th Co.

TWO OF WAR (final).—R.G.A. teams of 10; long pull. The 78th Co. were victorious.

VETERANS' RACE.—200 yards. 2 yards for every year above 12 minimum. Cullen (80th Co.), first; Tharlow, second.

HURDLE RACE.—With 3ft. 3in. hurdles, 120 yards, 10 flights. Connors (80th Co.), first; Longman (80th Co.), second; Macdonell (80th Co.), third.

4-LOGGED RACE.—Teams of 3 men. Smith and team (78th Co.), first; Fisher and team (80th Co.), second; Brown and team (83rd Co.), third.

SERGEANTS' RACE.—120 yards Handicap. Open to all members of R.G.A. Sergeants' Mess. 1 yard start for every year over 10 years' service. Gordon, first; Tharlow, second.

QUARTER-MILE.—Open to R.N. European Garrison and Police. Haing (80th Co.), first; Chambers (78th Co.), second; Fowles (80th Co.), third.

BALACLAVA MELEE.—In pairs, one man on another's back. This event was stopped after the men had torn the shirts off each other's backs, and looked dangerously like getting away with the pants. The prizes were divided between the three outstanding couples at that time:—Nicol and Starvis (80th Co.); Cambridge and Kinsler (78th Co.); Gibben and Bradbury (78th Co.).

TEAM RACE.—For teams of 4 drawn from 1 Company. Each man running 1 mile. The 78th Co. was first; 83rd Co. second; 80th Co. third.

HALF-MILE FLAT RACE.—Longman (80th Co.), first; Chambers (78th Co.), second; Woods (78th Co.), third.

BOYS AND GIRLS' RACE.—(R.G.A. only) under 10 years. Handicap, Henry Cullen, first; Fairbairn, second.

OBSTACLE RACE.—Longman (80th Co.), first; Davies (80th Co.), third; Macdonald (78th Co.), fourth; Davies (80th Co.), fifth.

TUG OF WAR (Final).—Sergeants. Married won.

TUG OF WAR (Final).—Open to teams drawn completely from a company R.G.A., European Regiment or any ship. The 78th Co. won this event.

TUG OF WAR (Final).—H.K.S.B.R.A. No. 3 Co. won this.

SACK RACE.—West (83rd Co.), first; W. Brown (83rd Co.), second; Gibben (78th Co.), third; Davies (80th Co.), fourth.

BAND RACE.—220 yards Handicap. Hlandi, capped by Band Master. Wootton, first; Naden, second; Turner, third.

OFFICERS' RACE.—Open. 120 yards, Handicap 1 yard for every year over 8 years' service. Prize, Cup. Kirkpatrick, R.A., first; Brettton Symmons, R.E., second; Hamilton, C.S.O., third.

HALF-MILE NATIVE RACE.—Open. G. Sing, first; K. Sha, second; H. Sing, third.

CONSOLATION RACE.—220 yards Flat. Open to unplaced competitors R.G.A. only. Cooper (80th Co.), first; Hardwick (78th Co.), second; Riley (78th Co.), third; Burrow (80th Co.), fourth.

The marks for the Royal Artillery Challenge Cup, 78th Co. carrying honours, were as follows:—

Events 78 Coy. 80 Coy. 83 Coy.

1 Mile..... 20..... —..... —

Long Jump..... 4..... —..... 8

Putting Weight..... 8..... —..... 4

Hurdle Race..... —..... 12..... —

High Jump..... —..... 4..... —

100 yard flat..... —..... 18..... 2

1 Mile flat..... —..... 2..... 18

Tug of War..... 30..... —..... —

Obstacle Race..... —..... 14..... 6

Team Race..... 30..... —..... —

Total..... 98..... 62..... 28

## V.R.C. ATHLETIC SPORTS.

## SATURDAY'S HEATS.

The Victoria Recreation Club Athletic Sports are to be held on the Football Club Ground at Happy Valley on Monday the 4th inst., but the heats of the 100 yds, 120 yds, 220 yds, and 440 yds flat races, and the 120 yds hurdle race will be run off on Saturday, the 2nd inst., commencing at 3 p.m.

100 YARDS FLAT RACE (Challenge Cup).—Presented by Dr. F. H. Kew. To be won three years before becoming the property of a competitor. First prize presented by the China Sugar Refinery Club; second presented. First Heat:—R. C. Wittchell, R. Hancock, E. F. Aucott, A. J. V. Ribeiro, E. R. Horton, J. Clelland, G. B. Macdonald, and C. T. Cooke. [Second Heat:—W. T. Andrews, T. C. Gray, J. H. Wittchell, J. P. Jordan, R. Bass, L. Hayter, N. H. Rutherford, and H. M. Bain.—Third Heat:—H. Hancock, C. Humphreys, A. Loureiro, H. W. Sayer, S. C. Ross, F. Long, H. D. Bell, J. H. A. Hance, and C. R. Cooper. First and second in each heat to run in the final.

Previous Winner.—F. H. Kew. 120 YARDS FLAT RACE (Handicap).—First prize presented by Mr. J. R. M. Smith; Second prize presented. First Heat:—L. Hayter (Scratch), R. Hancock (Scratch), E. R. Horton (Scratch), R. C. Wittchell (2 yds), F. Long (2 yds), H. W. Sayer (3 yds), A. E. Asger (4 yds), and E. Festerji (6 yds). Second Heat:—J. H. Wittchell (Scratch), T. C. Gray (Scratch), J. P. Jordan (1 yd), R. Bass (2 yds), H. D. Bell (3 yds), J. A. Yanovich (4 yds), and F. K. Tuts (5 yds). Third Heat:—C. R. Cooper (Scratch), J. H. A. Hance (1 yd), C. B. Macdonald (2 yds), C. Humphreys (4 yds), H. C. Austen (4 yds), A. J. V. Ribeiro (4 yds), E. F. Aucott (5 yds), and H. M. Bain (6 yds). Fourth Heat:—H. Hancock (Scratch), N. H. Rutherford (1 yd), S. C. Ross (1 yd), C. T. Cooke (2 yds), W. T. Andrews (4 yds), E. Asger (4 yds), A. Loureiro (5 yds), and R. Pesterji (5 yds). Previous Winners were: 1899, Lieut. F. H. Hall; and 1900, R. L. L. L. First and second in each heat to run in the final.

220 YARDS FLAT RACE (Handicap).—First Prize presented by Commodore C. G. Dickson, R.N.; second prize presented by Mr. W. Armstrong. First Heat:—R. Hancock (Scratch), J. H. A. Hance (Scratch), A. Marti (3 yds), N. H. Rutherford (3 yds), G. B. Macdonald (5 yds), J. Clelland (6 yds), R. Wittchell (6 yds), H. D. Bell (8 yds), A. J. V. Ribeiro (9 yds), H. C. Sayer (10 yds). Second Heat:—J. Wittchell (Scratch), J. P. Jordan (2 yds), T. C. Gray (3 yds), E. Humphreys (3 yds), F. P. Weppell (4 yds), A. Yanovich (6 yds), H. C. Austen (8 yds), F. K. Tuts (10 yds). Third Heat:—C. R. S. Cooper (Scratch), H. W. Sayer (2 yds), L. Hayter (2 yds), H. Hancock (4 yds), C. Humphreys (4 yds), C. T. Cooke (6 yds), E. F. Aucott (8 yds), R. Bass (8 yds), W. T. Andrews (10 yds), H. M. Bain (15 yds). Previous Winners are:—1898, J. M. V. dos Remedios; 1899, F. H. Kew; 1900, J. H. A. Hance. First and second in each heat to run in the final.

440 YARDS FLAT RACE (Challenge Cup).—To be won two years in succession before becoming the property of a competitor. First prize presented by Mr. H. N. Moay; second prize presented by Mr. H. C. Austen. First Heat:—R. C. Wittchell, R. Hancock, E. F. Aucott, W. T. Andrews, T. C. Gray, J. H. Wittchell, R. Hancock, C. Humphreys. Second Heat:—A. Loureiro, A. Humphreys, N. H. Alves, A. Marti, J. P. Jordan, H. W. Sayer, A. J. Mackie. Third Heat:—J. A. Darby, J. J. Watson, F. Long, N. H. Rutherford, H. M. Bain, H. D. Bell, J. H. A. Hance, H. P. Weppell. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in each heat to run in the final. Previous winners are:—1898, F. H. Kew; 1899, F. H. Kew; 1900, A. Humphreys.

120 YARDS HURDLE RACE (10 flights).—Previous winners at Hongkong were:—elsewhere to be penalised 24 yards. First prize presented by Mr. A. Denison; second prize presented by Mr. W. A. Crake. First Heat:—R. C. Wittchell (Scratch), R. Hancock (Scratch), E. F. Aucott (Scratch), W. T. Andrews (Minus 24 Yds), T. C. Gray (Scratch). Second Heat:—H. C. Austen (Scratch), J. H. Wittchell (Scratch), H. Hancock (Scratch), C. Humphreys (Scratch), A. Loureiro (Scratch). Third Heat:—D. A. Loureiro (Scratch), S. C. Ross (Scratch), A. E. Asger (Scratch), E. R. Horton (Minus 24 Yds), H. W. Sayer (Minus 24 Yds). Fourth Heat:—N. H. Rutherford (Scratch), H. M. Bain (Scratch), J. P. Jordan (Minus 24 Yds), Previous Winners—1891, P. Hyndman; 1900, F. H. Kew.

## LATE TELEGRAMS.

## [VIA CEYLON.]

## FOOTBALL.

London, 13th March. It was a great game yesterday at Belfast, when Ireland beat Wales in the "Rugger" international. There was a big gate, and great enthusiasm. The game was a splendidly and closely contested one from the start, and the issue in doubt to the end. Ireland had an uphill fight, being at one stage six points behind. The tackling of both sides was admirable. Both teams crossed the line four times, but Ireland succeeded in converting one try, which gave them victory by 14 points to 12.

## TIBET.

Calcutta, 15th March. Tibet Mission advices, dated the 14th inst., state that terrific thunderstorms are raging south of Jelep. The post at Bornthang was struck by lightning, and all the lines and buildings burnt to the ground, together with four thousand mounds of supplies. A mule-driver was killed at Ganatong by lightning.

Another large convoy has reached Tangle, having experienced a series of snowstorms. The weather was terribly cold. Twenty mule-drivers were frost-bitten.

Alahabad, 18th March. It is, the Pioneer understands, intended to open up a new route to the Chumbi Valley from Dwaras on the Jaldaka Valley. The Bhutan Dwaras is not likely to raise any objections as the road would pass only through the extreme outskirts of their country. This route was probably surveyed very shortly, and we believe from Darjeeling that the Bhutanese authorities are quite ready to co-operate in the matter of furnishing supplies to any party that may be sent.

## PLAGUE IN INDIA.

Calcutta, 18th March. There has been a recrudescence of plague. The mortality last week was 35,317 as compared with 23,919 in the previous week. The chief increases are in United Provinces and Bengal.

## THE TANJONG PAGAR DOCK COMPANY.

## OUTSPOKEN ABRAIMENT OF THE LONDON CONSULTING BOARD.

At the half-yearly meeting of the shareholders of the above company, held at Singapore on the 21st March, Mr. John Anderson, who recently resigned his seat on the Directorate, of which he was Chairman, delivered a speech of exactly two hours' duration, forming a very strong arraignment of the London Consulting Committee, which he proposed the shareholders of the company should abolish. At the close of his speech, which is fully reported by the Straits Times, in twenty-one columns, Mr. Anderson was enthusiastically cheered.

We cannot attempt to summarise the many counts of Mr. Anderson's indictment, but readers interested in the company will gather their purport from the following extract from the conclusion of the speech:—

Now, gentlemen, you will know, and I hope understand, my reason for severing myself from direction of the affairs of this Company. When a Board of Directors is so constituted that its members not only can but are denied the right to exercise their own judgment or to act upon their affirmed convictions, no man who aims at guiding affairs according to the dictates of free thought can consistently or with self-respect continue on it. Singapore may perhaps ask, "But why, in the face of this, are these men still sitting at the Board Table?" Well, Singapore cannot blame them, for they are commanded by London to remain in a situation from which I believe every one of London's nominees would only too gladly escape were he a free agent. It is a situation in which they merit, I feel, our sympathy more than blame. On the 16th instant this Company notified its shareholders of my having deposited notice of a resolution that I had desired to move at this meeting. The resolution of which I give notice was that:—"This meeting is of opinion that the existence of the London Consulting Committee of the Tanjong Pagar Dock Company, Ltd., has been and is of disadvantage to the best interests of the Company, that its existence is inappropriate to the times, that it be abolished, and that Articles 108 to 125 of the Company's Articles of Association be struck out."

The Managing Director has been kind enough to let me know that in the opinion of the Company's solicitors this proposed resolution cannot be dealt with at this meeting. I hardly expect to be in Singapore long enough to arrange for a special meeting to deal with it, so that part of my proposal for to-day will, I assume, have to stand over for the present. I think, however, shareholders here to-day should know that the Government of the Federated Malay States, who are the proprietors of a very large number of this Company's shares, had directed me, as their proxy, to vote for abolition of the London Consulting Committee; and for the same reasons the Government of the F.M.S. will now vote in favour of the amendment that I have proposed. I think it has been proved to the hilt not only that the London Consulting Committee will necessarily have to be abolished, but also that the constitution of the Board here must be so altered that it is not possible even to have any people in London pulling strings of direction or control from behind the scenes. I think too I have given you circumstances that fully support my amendment to the proposal before this meeting. The shareholders will now be able to judge who it is that has desired and has striven to push this Company into a more capable and better equipped position than it is in to-day. And the time has come for the shareholders to say whether or not the Company is to be managed in Singapore only. If its shareholders are determined to maintain the position as it now is, and to have continuously called into question by a Committee in London the ability, judgment, acts, and decisions and the honesty of purpose, good faith, and honour of men here who do the work and do it conscientiously, then assuredly they cannot expect that people with any self-respect will be found here willing to exercise their brains and efforts and waste valuable time in interesting themselves in any attempt to promote and advance the welfare of the Tanjong Pagar Dock Company, Ltd., of Singapore. Votes to maintain the status quo have been commanded in large numbers from England, where proxies have been sought and solicited, and the numerical strength of these is of course so greatly in the majority that the whole body of shareholders in Singapore, all put together, can, and I assume will be swamped. This, however, and to-day's result, I do not look on as very material, for it will indeed be strange if when bare facts as they exist come to the knowledge of shareholders can then be got for the mere asking by those who are responsible for the present condition and position that is complained of. We may at least hope that some people will in time come to believe what the position and feeling here is, and take less time to it, too late, from facts.

Before closing I would like, as one who has acquired an exceptionally close and intimate inside knowledge of the affairs and position of this Company, to assure shareholders that there is nothing whatever wrong with this Company in itself. Its position and its means are so strong and sound in themselves that it may well be the envy of many a corporation. What is wrong is that there is dual control inasmuch as there is direction and control in London while it should properly and solely lie with the Board of Directors in Singapore. The existence of this dual control no man on the Board, or off it, can deny; and equally he cannot deny that to run satisfactorily a large concern and business such as ours, under the circumstances of dual control that I have now thrown light upon, is an absolute impossibility. No half measure will ever suit or work satisfactorily. And that is why I assert and urge that the London Consulting Committee must be abolished.

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Hongkong, 10th March, 1904.

## SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Vernon & Smyth say in their weekly share report, dated Hongkong, 31st March, 1904.—Since date of our last the market has been somewhat more active and a fair business has been put through chiefly in Indos and China Sugars both of which have been in demand at rising rates. The market generally has ruled firmer with more buyers than has been the case for some time past.

BANKS.—Hongkong and Shanghai with a falling sterling exchange here, and a further rise in the London quotation of £1 (making the rate £22), the demand reported in our last at \$607½ was not met and the rate quickly rose to \$610, \$612½, \$615 and \$617½ without bringing out any but very small lots of shares. At time of writing the market is steady at \$617½ to \$620 with probable buyers. Nationals are still enquired for at \$35½ without bringing out any shares.

MARINE INSURANCES.—Unions continue steady at \$470 with a small business and close with buyers. China Traders have been placed at \$56½. The Northern Insurances and Cantons remain quiet without any local business.

FIRE INSURANCES.—Hongkong have been placed at \$285 and China at \$33, market closing steady for both stocks.

SHIPPING.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao have ruled steady with buyers at \$264 and no sellers except of very small lots. Indo-China has been dealt in to some extent at \$88, \$88½, \$89 and \$90 cash, and at \$91, \$92, \$93 and \$94 for May, June, July and August delivery; the market closes strong at \$90 to \$91 cash and at about equivalent rates forward. China and Panamas are somewhat easier with sellers at \$22 after small sales at that and \$22½. Douglases have improved to \$34 without sales. Star Ferries have been placed at \$31 (old) and \$18½ (new) closing steady. Shell Transports, after small sales at 19½, close with sellers.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars have been in demand during the week and sales have taken place at \$109, \$110, \$112 and \$113 for cash; at \$115 to \$120 for September, \$119 to \$122 for December, and at equivalent rates for intermediate months. Market closes firm with buyers at \$113 to \$113½ cash. Luzons unchanged and without business.

MINING.—No business or change to report under this heading.

DOCK, WAREHOUSE AND GODOWNS.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have ruled very steady at \$205 cash with sales; on time shares have been placed at \$215 and \$216 for August. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves have improved to \$33 without bringing any shares in the market. Farnhams have slightly improved in Shanghai to \$12.142½.

LANDS, HOTELS, AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Lands continue quiet with a small lot on offer at \$145 cash. Hongkong Hotels have changed hands at \$135 cash and Humphreys at \$195. Nothing further to report under this heading.

COTTON MILLS.—No change or business to report.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Green Islands have been placed at \$25. China Borneo at \$810. Watsons at \$14, and Old Electrics at \$13. Other stocks under this heading have ruled quiet with no sales to report.

MEMOS.—Green Island Cement Co. annual general meeting on the 6th prox. Transfer books close on 2nd inst. Kowloon Land and Building Co., extraordinary general meeting, on 9th prox, to alter certain articles of association of the Company.

## SHIPPING NOTES.

Yesterday's arrivals include the *Oopack* (Messrs. Butterfield and Swire) from Liverpool with 5,000 tons of cargo for distribution at coast ports; *Chihit*, same agents, from Tientsin and Chefoo with 600 tons of general for Hongkong; the *Changri*, same agents, with 1,200 tons of Bangkok rice for Hongkong; the *Jacob Diederichsen* (Messrs. Johnson & Co.), with 1,100 tons of Moji coal; the *Abessini* (Hamburg Amerika Linie) from Tientsin and Shanghai; the *Hongkong* from Haiphong; and *Trista* from Rangoon, and *Huron* from Manila. Fine weather is reported.

The Japanese mail steamer *Bingo Maru*, of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha Line, has been in collision in the English Channel with the Welsh schooner *Edward Windus*, of Portmadoc. The latter vessel sank, and five of her hands were lost, the only survivor of the schooner's crew being Julius Mature, a young German. The *Bingo Maru* was going at full speed at the time and struck the schooner in the stern, splitting her as far as the foremast. Captain Williams and some of the men were below when the collision occurred.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.—The M.M. steamer *Annam*, with the next French mail, will leave Saigon to-day, at 1 p.m., for this port.

The P. & O. steamer *Formosa* left Singapore for this port on the 30th ult., at 5 p.m.

The J.C.J. Lijn steamer *Tijndah* left Moji via Amoy for this port on the 30th ult., and may be expected here on the 6th inst.

The C.N. steamer *Akaki* left Port Darwin on the 30th ult. for Manila and Hongkong.

The E. & A. steamer *Empire* left Sydney on the 30th ult. for Queensland ports and Hongkong.

The Ben Line steamer *Benlawers*, from Antwerp and London, left Singapore on the 30th ult. for this port.

The A.A. steamer *Claverley*, from New York, left Singapore on the 30th ult., p.m., for Manila, and is due here on the 13th inst.

The C.P.R. steamer *Empress of Japan* arrived at Vancouver on the 30th ult., at 1 p.m.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 31st at 11.45 a.m. The barometer has risen in Japan as throughout China and fallen slightly in the Philippines and the Loochoos.

The greatest pressure probably lies over N. China, and an area of low pressure continues in the Pacific eastward of the Loochoo Islands



## NOTICE.

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

## NOTICE.

MR. CHRISTIAN SKOTT is Authorized to Sign our Firm by Procuration from this date.

H. SKOTT & CO.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1904. [916]

## NOTICE.

ON 31st March, 1904, Mr. SOTHEBY GODFREY BIRD retired from our Firm, and Mr. FRANCIS MAITLAND will continue the business in Partnership with Mr. WILLIAM HUTTON POTTS.

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Hongkong, 1st April, 1904. [917]

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Hongkong, 1st April, 1904. [918]

## CONNAUGHT HOUSE HOTEL.

MR. FREDERICK BISHOP has been appointed MANAGER of the above Hotel from this date, April 1st, 1904.

HO PO FAN, Proprietor.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1904. [919]

FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

## EASTER HOLIDAYS.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT FIRE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business TO-DAY (FRIDAY) and MONDAY, the 1st and 4th proximo.

By Order,

A. R. LOWE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1904. [920]

## HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THE COMPETITION TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 2nd instant, will be for SPOONS, commencing at 2.30 P.M. Ranges: 200, 500 and 600 yards. Seven Shots and a Sighter at each Range.

M. S. NORTHGOTE, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1904. [925]

## VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

## SEVENTH ATHLETIC MEETING.

COMPETITORS are notified that the Heats for the 100, 120, 220, and 440 yards Flat Races, and 120 yards Hurdle Race, will be run on TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 2nd APRIL, commencing at 3 P.M. Sharp.

HAROLD C. AUSTEN, Acting Hon. Secretary V.R.C.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1904. [921]

THE TIENTSIN GAS AND ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY, LIMITED.

INCORPORATED under The Companies Ordinance of Hongkong, whereby the liability of Members is limited to the amount of their shares.

CAPITAL: TABLE 250,000.

Divided into 2,500 shares of Tis. 100 each of which 600 shares have already been allotted to shareholders in The Tientsin Gas Co. Ltd. Present Issue 1,500 shares of Tis. 100 each of which 350 shares have already been subscribed for by Shareholders in The Tientsin Gas Co. Ltd. The balance of 1,150 shares is now offered to the public.

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DIRECTORS:

C. POULSEN, Esq. (Chairman), of Electric Engineering and Fitting Co.

R. OSWALD, Esq., of Messrs. Oswald and Lough.

W. E. SOUTHCOOT, Esq., of Messrs. William Forbes & Co.

W. T. L. WAX, Esq., of Taka Tug & Lighter Company, Limited.

Y. J. PAN, Esq., Comptroller, Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

Prospectuses and Forms of Application for shares may be obtained on application to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation at their Branches in Tientsin, Peking, Shanghai and Hongkong, and also from Messrs. Doney & Co., 39, Consular Road, Tientsin.

Share Lists close at 4 p.m. on Saturday, 30th April, 1904.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1904. [923]

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Hongkong, 1st April, 1904. [927]

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

## VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

## SEVENTH ATHLETIC MEETING.

THE COMMITTEE of the VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB request the pleasure of the Company of the Ladies of Hongkong on EASTER MONDAY, the 4th APRIL, at 1 P.M., on the Hongkong Football Club Ground (kindly placed at the disposal of the Committee) at the Happy Valley.

By kind permission of Lt.-Col. W. S. BIRD-WOOD and Officers, the Band of the 110th Mahratta Light Infantry will perform during the afternoon.

Admission to the Grand Stand and Enclosure (Gentlemen) \$1.00.

Members of the Hongkong Football Club on presenting Membership Ticket, Free.

No Persons other than Officials and Competitors allowed within the course.

HAROLD C. AUSTEN, Acting Hon. Secretary V.R.C.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1904. [922]

## GOVERNMENT BILLS.

TENDERS for SPECIE, BRITISH and MEXICAN DOLLARS, current in this Colony, in Exchange for Sterling Bills drawn at 10 days' sight on the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, London, will be received by the Chief Paymaster, Army Pay Department, until 11 A.M., on the 6th April, 1904.

The Tenders to state the total amount (in Pounds Sterling) and the amount for which each Bill should be drawn, but no Bills will be issued for less than £100.

The Tenders to be in Duplicate, and in Sealed Covers, addressed to the CHIEF PAYMASTER, Army Pay Department, and endorsed "TENDERS FOR GOVERNMENT BILLS."

The right to accept or reject any or all of the Tenders is reserved.

Copies of Forms of Tender can be had on application.

GEO. H. FERRIER, Colonel, A.P.D., H.M. Treasury Chest Officer.

His Majesty's Treasury Office, Fletcher Street, Hongkong, 31st March, 1904. [924]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 11th day of APRIL, 1904, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of Two Lots of Crown Freehold and Sea Bed at Shaukiwan, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOTS.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square ft.	Annual Rent	Upset Price
1	Shaukiwan Lot No. 401	Shaukiwan	60 ft. 0 in. by 75 ft. 0 in.	3,750	33	1,125
2	Shaukiwan Lot No. 402	Shaukiwan	60 ft. 0 in. by 75 ft. 0 in.	3,750	33	1,125

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 11th day of APRIL, 1904, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of Crown Land at Conduit Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from the 10th day of July, 1899.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square ft.	Annual Rent	Upset Price
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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 7th prox., will be subject to suit.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 10th prox., or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1904. [10-11]

## ENTERTAINMENT

## AL FRESCO FETE.

On behalf of the ORPHANS and INVALIDS of the ITALIAN CONVENT.

TO be held in the Compound of the ROMAN CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL on SUNDAY EVENING, the 10th APRIL, 1904, from 9 to 11 P.M.

The Superiors while thanking the benevolent Friends and Benefactors of the Institution, for the many proofs she has had of their generosity, hopes to receive and merit a large share of Public Patronage.

Hongkong, 29th March, 1904. [884]

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Hongkong, 29th March, 1904. [836]

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Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [853]

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Hongkong, 30th March, 1904. [890]

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Hongkong, 16th May, 1903. [8148]

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Hongkong, 31st March, 1904. [899]

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Hongkong, 29th March, 1904. [881]

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Hongkong, 22nd March, 1904. [800]

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Hongkong, 22nd March, 1904. [613]

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Hongkong, 31st March, 1904. [901]

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## MARBLE and GRANITE MONUMENTS

No. 1, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST. Estimates, Designs & Prices on Application. All descriptions of Granite for Export. Hongkong, 17th October, 1903. [251]

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## PUBLIC COMPANIES

## GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE FIFTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held in the OFFICE of the General Managers, No. 14, Des Voeux Road, Victoria, on WEDNESDAY, the 6th APRIL, at 11.30 A.M. for the purpose of receiving Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1903, declaring a Dividend and Electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 2nd April, at 1 P.M. until WEDNESDAY, 6th April.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1904. [791]

## THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED will be held in the Colony of Hongkong, on the 9th day of April, 1904, at 12 o'clock Noon when the following resolutions will be proposed:

That the Articles of Association be altered in manner following—

(a) In Article 81 the words "Five hundred dollars" shall be substituted for the words "One hundred and fifty dollars."

(b) In Article 102 the words "An Auditor" shall be substituted for the words "Two Auditors."

(c) In Article 103 the word "Auditor" shall be substituted for the word "Auditors."

Should these resolutions be passed by the required majority they will be submitted for confirmation as special resolutions to a Second Extraordinary Meeting which shall be subsequently convened.

Dated the 28th March, 1904.

A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary to THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

General Agents for THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FOURTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Association will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, No. 26, The Bund, Shanghai, on THURSDAY, the 21st APRIL, 1904, at 4.30 o'clock P.M. precisely, for presentation of the Report of the Directors and the Accounts to the 31st December, 1903, the election of Directors and Auditor for the current year, and for the purpose of transacting any other business which may be transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Association will be CLOSED from the 11th of APRIL, to the 21st of APRIL, 1904, both days inclusive.

Members holding proxies for absent Shareholders must deposit same with the Secretary for Registration at least Forty Eight hours before the Meeting.

By Order of the Board of Directors, W. S. JACKSON, Secretary.

Shanghai, 25th March, 1904. [894]

## ZETLAND LODGE No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of ZETLAND LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL TO-MORROW EVENING (SATURDAY), the 2nd APRIL, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1904. [822]

## OLD CHELTONIANS.

AN OLD CHELTONIAN DINNER will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL on MONDAY, the 4th APRIL, 1904, at 7.45 for 8 P.M.

Old Cheltonians desirous of attending are requested to send their names as soon as possible to—

T. C. GRAY, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong Club, 31st March, 1904. [902]

## CHINESE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT

7 PER CENT. SILVER LOAN OF 1888, E.

35th HALF-YEARLY DRAWING.

INTEREST due and Draw Bonds of this Loan will be PAYABLE at the OFFICES of the Corporation on or after the 31st March, 1904.

List of Drawn Bonds can be obtained on application to the undersigned.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, Agents issuing the Loan.

J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1904. [903]

## THE EASTERN EXTENSION AUSTRALASIA AND CHINA TELEGRAPH COMPANY, LIMITED.

REFERRING to the notice of 21st December last, the senders of Telegrams are hereby advised that from the 1st of APRIL next, the charges for Telegrams will, subject to revision after three months, be collected at the rate of FORTY-FIVE CENTS to equal One Franc.

J. M. BECK, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1904. [824]

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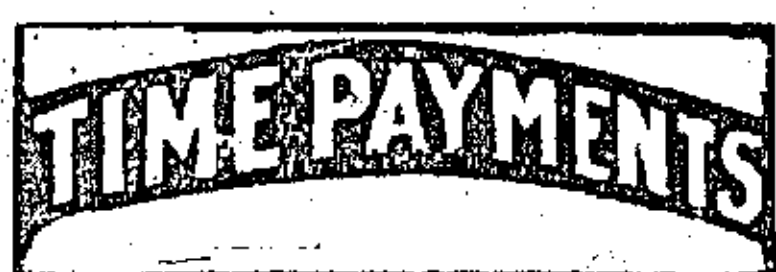




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(Author of "Dr. Nikola," "My Indian Queen," &c., &c.)

CHAPTER XVI.

Everyone who has ever entered the Accident Ward of a large hospital knows the sickening feeling of dread that is experienced as one approaches the sufferer's bed. Surely there are few people in this world of ours so callous as to be able to watch a fellow creature's sufferings unmoved. For my part, I know that I cannot, and yet probably I have seen more of the hard-hearted business side of life than most people.

"This way," said the house surgeon, and led me down the centre of the room to a bed at the further end, hidden from the rest of the room by a screen. As we approached it, a silent foot-nurse emerged.

"How does he seem now, nurse?" asked the doctor in a whisper.

"Sinking fast, sir," the woman replied. "I don't think he'll last much longer."

The other nodded and signed to me to follow him. We went behind the screen, and there in a narrow bed lay the man who had done his best to kill me, and yet who, in his dying moments, had saved my life.

His black hair and dark eyes stood out in vivid contrast to the pallor of his complexion. One of the small hands, of which I know he was so vain, lay upon the coverlet.

"Here is Mr. Bramwell to see you," said the doctor in a low voice. "You expressed a wish that he should come."

"Yes, I want to see him," he answered. "I want to talk to him before it is too late. Sit down, Bramwell. They tell me there isn't much time, so we must make the most of it. I have a good long story to tell you."

"Well, I'll leave you alone together," said the doctor. "The nurse will be in hearing if he should want anything."

He then departed, and I seated myself by the bedside. For upwards of a minute he did not speak. Then, turning his great dark eyes upon me, he said:

"Bramwell, do you know that I intended to kill you, if I could?"

"Yes, I know it," I answered. "But why refer to that now?"

"Because I must. It bears on what I've got to say to you. I meant to do it, only you were one too many for me. It was I who set those two fellows on to you in Florence."

"I know it," I replied.

"How on earth did you know it?" he asked with as much surprise as he was capable of showing under such circumstances.

"Because I found your message in the man's pocket."

"And I sent two of the best men I knew," he added regretfully. "However, it's no use grizzling over that now, so we'll let it go. If I ask you a straightforward question as a dying man, will you answer me?"

"If it's anything that I feel I can answer you, I will do so willingly," I replied.

"What is it?"

"Are you going to marry Angela Carbridge?"

"Yes, I can answer that," I replied. "I shall do so if she will have me. But not while she remains in the state she is in now. But why do you ask the question?"

"Because it was my belief that you were trying to do that which made me try to kill you; that and another reason, which I will tell you directly."

He paused for a few minutes, as if to recover his strength.

"This talking takes it out of me," he said.

"Then why do you go on with it?" I asked.

"For the man's condition was pitiable. I could see that he was suffering agonies. Great beads of perspiration stood upon his brow, the sweat of approaching dissolution."

"But, look here, Bramwell," he went on, after a while, "I will say this for you. You have beaten me at my own game, and if I can't have her, there's no one else I would prefer more than yourself. At least you're a man. I suppose you want to know the story of that brig, don't you?"

"I was compelled to admit that I did. Who could desire to know it more than I should?"

"You think that I had some hand in the murder of that man you found upon the deck. And you're right. I did have a hand in it. And it served him right, for the traitorous dog he was. Give me time, and I will tell you the story."

"In my own mind I didn't think he'd live to get through it, but I promised to listen."

"I first met Angela Carbridge when she was a student at Canti's Studio in Florence. I loved her from the first moment I set eyes on her. I thought she loved me, but I'll be honest enough in my last hour to say that I found myself mistaken. She cared for nothing but her art. However, I persevered, growing every day to love her more."

She treated me as an innocent girl that did not know the sort of man I was. Then Manuel Garcia, the man you found pinned upon the deck of the brig, appeared upon the scene, and professed to be my friend. He offered to help me to win her affections, and instead of doing that he endeavored to turn me towards himself. Ugly as he was, that man had an extraordinary control over women. It was as if they could not resist him. He came to me and told me that he was sure she loved me, for she had dropped a hint that seemed to imply as much. That night she fled from Florence with him, against her will, I'll swear, for no woman could have loved a man like that. His plans had been carefully laid. He had chartered a brig in Genoa, and in it they set sail together for South America. When the news reached me that she was gone, I was like a madman. I have done some pretty bad things in my life, few men worse, I suppose, but what I was going to do now, 'outshine them all. Remember, I believed her to be false to me, as he had been. As you have guessed, I am a rich man, though how I became so you had better not enquire too closely. I chartered a steam yacht, manned her with a crew of my own, who I knew would stick at nothing, if they were well paid for it, and set off in pursuit. A constant watch was kept, and as I knew the

course they would be likely to steer, I knew there was every chance of my catching them. She lay becalmed, and we steamed up quite close to her, and hailed her to say that we were sending a boat. The rest you can guess."

"But the officers and crew?" I faltered.

"What became of them?"

"Oh, they showed fight, and the rest you can guess."

The cold-blooded way in which he said it was enough to curdle one's blood.

"We didn't want any witnesses," he said.

"But the girl—Miss Angela? Do you mean to tell me that you left her to drown, or starve?"

"She was false to me," he muttered sullenly.

"She defied me, and vowed that after all she had been through on that ship she would never go in another one. She declared that she would sooner die."

I could stand no more of it, and rose to leave. Had I not known that he was a dying man, I should have struck him across the mouth for the words he had spoken. He looked up at me like an animal in pain.

"I know what's passing in your mind," he murmured. "But I'll swear before the God I am about to meet, that you are wrong. She is as pure and innocent to-day as she was at twelve years old."

And yet you would have killed her?"

"It was the devil inside me. I steamed away, dropping two or three men at Las Palmas, and that was how I came to hear that you had picked the brig up, and had taken charge of her; dropped two more at Gibraltar, and then steamed on to Naples, where I gave up the yacht, and hastened across the Continent to England to meet you. I was at Plymouth when you arrived. I travelled up in the same train to London that you did. I missed you, however, at Waterloo. But after some time, I found out where you were staying, and the rest you know."

If only you knew how I hated you. First because you had ruined Angela, and second because I feared you would discover my share in the secret of the brig. That was why I wanted to kill you."

He shut his eyes as if he could say no more. Thinking the end was close at hand I stepped softly outside, and beckoned to the nurse. She hastened in and leaned over him, then crept quietly out, and sent a messenger for the house surgeon. It was not long before he put in an appearance. He felt his pulse and shook his head. I stood at the foot of the bed, the nurse beside me. In silence we waited for the end to come.

It was some time, however, before it did. Then he opened his eyes, and said something in a foreign tongue, which I could not understand. After that, in less than five minutes all was over. The doctor and I left the ward together.

"Come into my room for a moment, won't you?" he said. "I think after what you have been through upstairs, a whisky and soda will do you no harm."

I can assure you that I felt it would not, and I accordingly followed him to his own private sanctum. I asked what would be done about the funeral arrangements for the man who had just died. It appeared that Armitage, or whatever his real name may have been, had settled everything himself. Then, thinking the doctor for his kindness, I returned to my hotel to find Giles eagerly awaiting my coming. I told him all that had happened.

"Poor beggar," he said. "I wonder if he really was as bad as you seem to imply?"

"Let us hope not," I answered fervently.

"He's dead, so let him sleep in peace."

Giles and I attended his funeral, and we were the only followers. With the sound of the shovelled-in earth ringing in our ears we left the cemetery, and drove back to the Strand. Such was the end of Edward Armitage, who might have done great things but preferred to do small ones."

And now let me turn to a happier page of my life's history.

Three weeks had gone by since the event I have just recorded. With every day Miss Angela had been steadily gaining ground, and as her bodily health improved, so her mind seemed to be regaining its old vigour. Still, however, the memory of those terrible days, and all that had gone before, was a blank to her. She knew Giles as a friend like myself, but not as a brother.

Two or three times a week we took long walks. Miss Angela, Miss Janet, Giles and myself. We walked to Esher, to Kingston, to Richmond, and on one memorable occasion, well rich to Cobham. I say memorable occasion, because it was in the evening of that day that Giles suggested we should abandon hotel life, and take a house near Molesey Lock. You will not wonder that I at once closed with his suggestion, and the following week, with the assistance of the ladies, we were busily engaged furnishing.

Then winter went out and spring came in, the leaves made their appearance on the trees, and the boatmen along the river were hard at work preparing for the coming season.

One evening, the night of full moon, I remember, we four went for a walk along the towing path. It was a night upon which it was a shame to remain indoors. A soft wind sighed among the rushes as if murmuring a message for the river to carry to the sea. The others had gone on ahead, but we found a rustic seat, and sat down upon it. I talked to Angela of new pictures she was engaged upon, and which we were all desirous she should send in to the Academy. In it she had surpassed any work I had yet seen of hers. There was a depth of poetry, a beauty of colouring, and a fertility of imagination, that was remarkable in one so young.

"Ah," I said, "how proud Canti would be of you, could he but see it."

She sprang to her feet, quivering in every limb. In the moonlight I could see the expression on her face. It was like the face of one returning to life from death. Then the quivering ceased, and she stood like one turned to stone, rigid as marble, looking straight before her.

"Angela," I cried, forgetting the Miss in my anxiety, "what is the matter? For Heaven's sake tell me."

But she did not answer. Again I asked, and again she did not reply. Then, she threw up her hands to her face. "What is it, what is it?" she cried.

Thinking she was going to fall I ran forward, and caught her in my arms.

"Something is cracking in my head," she moaned. "Oh, help me—help me!"

I did not know what to do. But fortunately, at that moment, Miss Janet and Giles turned the corner and came towards us. What they must have thought of the curious position in

which they found me, I cannot tell. The truth was, I too much upset to think of anything.

"Quick," I cried, "something terrible has happened."

"What is the matter, dear?" enquired Miss Janet.

"The blood, the blood," she cried, "look at the blood upon the deck."

Then a fit of sobbing took possession of her. I half led, half carried her to the bench upon which we had been sitting, while Giles went to the river's bank, and dipped his handkerchief in. With that she bathed her temples.

After awhile she grew calmer, and we led her home. Mrs. Jackson met us in the hall, and with a frightened look upon her face asked what was the matter. We informed her that Angela was not well, and then the ladies between them escorted her to her room. Giles and I passed into the dining-room, where I gave him an account of what had happened.

It means that her memory is waking," he said. "The fact that she remembers her old painting master proves that. Now let's get home. They don't want us here any more to-night."

"We left a message with the servant, and went back to our abode. Giles, who though anxious, did not appear as depressed by his sister's condition as I thought he might have been, mixed two glasses of toddy, and handed one to me."

"I am going to give you a toast, Jack, my boy," he said.

"What is it?" I enquired.

"A health to Miss Janet."

Though I could very well guess, I asked for an explanation.

"Well, I give it to you now," he replied. "Because you won't have many more opportunities of drinking it."

"Good gracious—and why not?"

"For the simple reason that she has consented to-night to become Lady Carbridge."

"I wish you to take up all my heart," I cried. "She is a noble girl, and will make you a noble wife."

"I know you'd say so, and I am proud to have won her."

Not a wink of sleep did I get that night. That despairing cry on the river bank, and pitiless look upon her face haunted me until day-break. But there were brighter times ahead.

We were in the middle of breakfast when our front door was opened without ceremony and Miss Janet, regardless of the conventionalities, burst in upon us.

"Giles," she cried, "her memory has come back. Between two and three o'clock this morning she started up in bed, and asked where she was. She thought she had been dreaming. She spoke of her childhood, of her student days in Florence, and of the awful things that happened to her on board that ship. Oh, I'm so thankful. The doctor has been to see her, and of course, like every doctor, says that it is exactly what he thought would happen. Mother is wild with joy."

"We will come round at once," said her brother.

But she would not permit it.

"Doctor Sledgehead says she is to be kept perfectly quiet, otherwise there may be a relapse. As soon as she is well enough to travel, she is to go away to the South of France."

"We'll all go," cried the enthusiastic lover.

"Your mother, yourself, Angela, Jack here, and your obedient, humble servant."

Six months passed, and Angela's memory is as perfect as ever it was. To my thinking she is more beautiful than ever she was, but she says that I am prejudiced. As we are to be married next Thursday, it is possible that maybe so, though I am not prepared to admit it. Giles and Janet are to take upon themselves the bonds of wedlock at the same time, and afterwards we are to live near them. The schooner has been sold, and for some reason we never talk much about her. Mrs. Jackson, dear old lady, is to spend her life in visits to the two houses, because, as we all say, we cannot do without her. There is one place, however, that neither my wife nor I ever intend to visit, and that place is Florence.

THE END.

TOO MUCH FOR ONE MAN.

There is no art of which it is more difficult to obtain a complete mastery than the healing art, human ailments being so many and complicated. But that which taxes the physician's skill most is what is called diagnosis, the finding out exactly what it is that troubles the patient. In many cases this is a more difficult task than the proper treatment. Nothing is more common than for people to be ill, yet quite unable to say what is the matter with them. When the patient notes his own symptoms, and can state them intelligently, his case is greatly simplified, though even that will not always assure correct treatment. The people who have died from being treated for one disease while suffering from another are legion; to take one celebrated instance only, such was the fate of Italy's greatest painter, Raphael.

"And how did you get on with the doctor, Patrick?" a man once asked his friend.

"Faith, Michael," was the reply, "I just gave him three and sixpence, and told him in English what was the matter with me. Then the doctor told me the same thing in Latin; and that was the end of the business."

Such a result as this is not uncommon, but it is unsatisfactory. Whoever seeks the aid of medicine does so in the hope of finding a cure, and though many are grievously disappointed in their quest, they can have no other object.

The fact is, the field of study is too vast for any man, however great his ability, to master the cause and cure of all human ailments, as physicians are supposed to do. Hence arises specialisation, so that one doctor is said to be an authority on the eye, another on the ear, and so on. Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup will not cure every ill; it will not make the blind to see, nor the deaf to hear; but it cures absolutely every ailment, of indigestion, or of the long list of complaints that accompany, or arise out of, that widespread malady. Here are a few details of an interesting case, that of Mr. Charles Zotti, of Buffalo, Calif., Oxford Street, East London. Writing on 4th of December, 1903, to Messrs. A. J. White (Colonial) Ltd., corner of Princes and Diesel Streets, Port Elizabeth, Cape Colony, proprietor in South Africa of Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup, Mr. Zotti says: "When in England two years ago I suffered greatly from acute indigestion. I tried a large number of medicines supposed to be cures for this complaint, but received the least benefit from any of them. Certainly, it was from an anxiety of preference on my part that they failed. I was despairing of relief when one day a friend recommended me to take a course of Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup, which he asserted had an unequalled record for the cure of cases such as mine. I accepted his advice (though without any great expectations of good from it) and was most agreeably surprised to discover a marked improvement in my condition result from the very first bottle. Thus encouraged to persevere with its use, I did not neglect to continue to take it when I came to this country. Now my digestion is as good as anybody's could be—thanks to Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup, a medicine that I

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Hongkong, 29th March, 1904. [1]

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THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'s fortnightly service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight.  
For Freight and further particulars, apply to  
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,  
General Agents for China and Japan.  
Hongkong, 4th August, 1897. [8]

# VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c., via Ports of Call	BALLAARAT	Brit. str.	C. R. Longdon	P. & O. S. N. Co.	9th inst., at Noon
LONDON & ANTWERP	MACHAON	Brit. str.	A. F. Street	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	12th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, &c.	MALACCA	Brit. str.	A. F. Street	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 13th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	TELEMACHUS	Brit. str.	A. F. Street	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	26th inst.
MARSEILLES, &c., via Ports of Call	JASON	Brit. str.	A. F. Street	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	10th May
BREMEN, via Ports of Call	A. BEHO	Frein. str.	Flanlin	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	2nd inst.
ST. NAZAIRE, HAVRE & HAMBURG	HAMBURG	Ger. str.	Burmeister	MELCHERS & CO.	15th inst., Noon
HAMBURG	ABESSINIA	Ger. str.	Schulke	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	2nd inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	BRIGAVIA	Ger. str.	Schulke	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	25th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SUEVIA	Ger. str.	Gronmeyer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	3rd May
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ARTEMISIA	Ger. str.	Gronmeyer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	17th May
TRIESTE &c., via SINGAPORE, &c.	MARSHBURY	Brit. str.	Storn	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	14th inst.
TRIESTE &c., via SINGAPORE, &c.	TRIESTE	Aus. str.	Mecozzi	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	20th inst., P.M.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	IDONEUS	Brit. str.	Mecozzi	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	14th inst.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	ACHILLES	Brit. str.	Mecozzi	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	20th May
NEW YORK, via PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	SAINT LEESE	Brit. str.	Mecozzi	DODWELL & CO., LD.	29th inst.
VANCOUVER, via SHANGHAI, &c.	E. OF INDIA	Brit. str.	Mecozzi	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	20th inst.
VANCOUVER, via SHANGHAI, &c.	ATHENIAN	Brit. str.	Mecozzi	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	27th inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA via JAPAN	LYRA	Brit. str.	G. V. Williams	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED	4th May
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE via N. PAC. &c.	LYRA	Brit. str.	G. V. Williams	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	19th inst.
PORTLAND, OREGON	NICOMEDIA	Brit. str.	G. V. Williams	PORTLAND & ASIATIC CO.	14th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	CHINGTO	Brit. str.	G. V. Williams	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	8th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	AUSTRALIAN	Brit. str.	G. V. Williams	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	8th inst.
YOKOHAMA, via SHANGHAI, Most & KOBE	FORMOSA	Brit. str.	G. V. Williams	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	About 5th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	HYSON	Ger. str.	B. H. W. Snow	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 5th inst.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	WHANPOA	Brit. str.	Gronmeyer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	7th inst., at Noon
SHANGHAI	ANAN	Frein. str.	Girard	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	4th inst.
FOOCHOW, via SWATOW & AMOY	MAITA	Brit. str.	C. L. Daniel	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	About 4th inst.
TAMUI, via SWATOW & AMOY	TRITON	Jap. str.	C. L. Daniel	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 10th inst.
ANPING, via SWATOW & AMOY	M. STURVE	Jap. str.	A. Hansen	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	13th inst., 10 A.M.
SWATOW & TIENTSIN	TRITON	Jap. str.	T. Brandt	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	7th inst., 10 A.M.
MANILA	CHILUI	Brit. str.	H. Kraft	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	7th inst., at 4 P.M.
MANILA DIRECT	KAIFONG	Brit. str.	H. Kraft	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	6th inst.
MANILA DIRECT	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	R. Rodger	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	18th inst., 10 A.M.
MANILA DIRECT	RUBI	Brit. str.	R. W. Almond	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	About 30th inst.
MANILA DIRECT	SHAWANG	Brit. str.	W. M. Smith	DODWELL & CO., LD.	5th inst.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	WUCHANG	Brit. str.	W. M. Smith	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	8th inst.
BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE & PENANG	LOCHING	Brit. str.	J. G. Spence	DAVID SASSON & CO., LD.	13th inst., at 3 P.M.
	CAPRI	Ital. str.	Bolsito	CARLOWITZ & CO.	13th inst., Noon.

## FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Steamship  
"ARTEMISIA,"  
Captain Gronmeyer, will be despatched for the above ports on THURSDAY, the 7th April, at Noon.  
For Freight, apply to  
HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE,  
Hongkong Office.  
Hongkong, 31st March, 1904. [906]

## EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.  
(Calling at TIMOR, PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)  
THE Steamship  
"AUSTRALIAN,"  
Captain McArthur, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 8th April, at Noon.  
This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.  
The Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.  
A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.  
N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the Steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.  
For Passage, apply to  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.  
Hongkong, 19th March, 1904. [788]

## HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

THE British steamship  
"YING KING,"  
Captain Ramsey, of 1,088 tons, Registered, is the newest, fastest, and most luxuriously furnished steamer on the line and is lighted throughout with electricity; hot and cold water service. The cuisine is unexcelled.  
Leaving Hongkong every MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY EVENING, at 9 P.M. and returning from Canton every following evening at 5 P.M.  
1st Class ... \$3.00 for Single journey  
2nd ... 1.50  
Meals ... 1.00 each.  
The steamer's wharf is at the Western end of Wing Lok Street.  
YUK ON S.S. CO., LD.  
No. 216, Wing Lok Street.  
Hongkong, 27th February, 1904. [577]

## HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI,"  
Captain Samuel Bell Smith.  
DEPARTURES from Hongkong, on week days, at 7.30 A.M.; on Excursion Sundays, at 8.30 A.M.; from Macao week days at about 2 P.M. and Sundays about 7.30 P.M.  
FARE—(week days) 1st Class (including cabin and servant), \$3. Return Ticket \$5.  
2nd Class \$1. 3rd Class 50 cents.  
On Excursion Sundays 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Class Single Ticket \$2. Return Ticket \$3. Return Ticket, including Tiffin and Dinner either on board or at Macao, Hotel \$5. On Sundays \$5 extra will be charged for each Cabin which has accommodation for two or more Passengers.  
Wharf at the Western end of Wing Lok Street.  
The Steamer runs an Excursion Trip Every Sunday, and takes only 2 1/2 hours to reach Macao.  
MING ON & CO.  
2nd Floor, 16, Victoria Street.  
Hongkong 8th September, 1903.

## MESSAGERIES CANTONNAISES.

J. TREVOUX & CO.  
HONGKONG-CANTON NIGHTLY SERVICE.

## THE Commodore Steamer "PAUL BEAU"

Captain Frangoul, leaves Hongkong for Canton at 9 P.M., on SUNDAYS, TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS, returning to Hongkong the following days, leaving Canton at 5 P.M., taking passengers and cargo as usual.  
The S.S. "CHARLES HARDOUN" on MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS and FRIDAYS, at the usual hour.  
These two magnificent and up-to-date steamers are lighted with Electricity.  
The Saloon is under European Supervision.  
First Class European ... \$8.00  
Second Class European ... \$3.00  
First Class Chinese ... \$1.50  
Second Class Chinese ... .80  
Deck ... .30  
The Company's Wharf is at the end of Queen Street, Praya West.  
For further particulars, apply to  
J. LANDOLT, Agent.  
The Pharmacy, Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, 23rd March, 1904. [420]

## PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG SHANGHAI INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA FOR OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION CO.

STEAMSHIP	TONS.	CAPTAIN	TO SAIL ON
"NICOMEDIA"	4,371	April	14, 1904
"ARABIA"	4,483	April	14, 1904
"A-AGONIA"	5,198	April	14, 1904
"NUMANTIA"	4,370	April	14, 1904

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to  
ALLAN CAMERON, GENERAL AGENT.  
Hongkong, 29th March, 1904. [114]

## CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN, AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.  
"Express" Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse-Power—Speed 19 knots.

SAVING THREE TO SEVEN DAYS ACROSS THE PACIFIC.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).  
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF INDIA" ... 6,000 Tons. ... WEDNESDAY, 20th April.  
R.M.S. "ATHENIAN" ... 3,882 Tons. ... WEDNESDAY, 27th April.  
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF JAPAN" ... 6,000 Tons. ... WEDNESDAY, 11th May.  
R.M.S. "TARTAR" ... 4,425 Tons. ... SATURDAY, 21st May.  
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF CHINA" ... 6,000 Tons. ... WEDNESDAY, 1st June.

Hongkong to London, 1st Class ... via St. Lawrence 20v via New York \$62.  
Intermediate on Steamers ... 240. ... \$42.  
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THE magnificent TWIN-SCREW "EMPERESS" STEAMSHIPS passing through the Inland Sea of Japan, usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA to VICTORIA (B.C.) in 12 DAYS and make connection with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of Chinese and Japanese Governments.

For further information, Maps, Guides, Handbooks, Rates of Passage and Freight, apply to  
D. F. BROWN, General Agent,  
9, Pender Street.

## HONGKONG-MANILA.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers between Hongkong and Manila. Sloop amidships. Electric Light. Perfect Cuisine. SURGEON and STEWARDESS carried. All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.

## CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

STEAMSHIP	TONS.	CAPTAIN	FOR	SAILING DATE.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila direct	Sat., 9th April, 10 A.M.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	Manila direct	Sat., 16th April, 10 P.M.
PERLA	1930	A. H. Nettley		

For Freight or Passage apply to  
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., GENERAL MANAGERS.  
Hongkong, 30th March, 1904. [116]

## OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA

REGULAR STEAM-SHIP SERVICES BETWEEN HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS	LEAVING
"TRITON"	WEDNESDAY, 6th April, at 10 A.M.
"M. STURVE"	THURSDAY, 7th April, at 10 A.M.
"TRITON"	WEDNESDAY, 13th April, at 10 A.M.

On account of the present state of political affairs, all the Company's new steamers have been requisitioned for transport service, and the above-named chartered steamers have been secured instead for maintenance of the Company's coastal services. As soon as the state of affairs permit, the Company will resume running with its specially designed new steamers.

For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply at the Company's local Branch Office at No. 8, Des Voeux Road Central.  
Hongkong, 30th March, 1904.  
T. ARIMA, Manager [15]

# NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.

NORTHERN PACIFIC CO. BOSTON S. CO. BOSTON TOWHOAT CO. CONNECTING AT TACOMA WITH NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR VICTORIA B.C. AND TACOMA VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer.	Tons.	Captain.	Sailing Date.
LYRA	4,417	G. V. Williams	Wednesday, May 4th
TACOMA	2,812	M. Ridley	Friday, May 13th
SHAWMUT	3,606	W. M. Smith	Saturday, May 21st

\* Not carrying second class passengers. † Cargo only.

## FOR MANILA.

The largest, steadiest, and most comfortable steamers for Manila.  
S.S. SHAWMUT ... 3,606 tons. | W. M. Smith ... | About 30th April.

## CHEAP FARES, EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION, ATTENDANCE AND CUISINE. ELECTRIC LIGHT, DOCTOR AND STEWARDESS.

The twin-screw s.s. "SHAWMUT" and "TREMONT" have just been fitted with very Superior Accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers. The large size of these vessels ensures steadiness at sea. Electric fan in each room. Barber's shop and steam laundry. Cargo carried in cold storage.

## PARCEL EXPRESS TO THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA.

For further information apply to—  
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, GENERAL AGENTS.

QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, Hongkong, 30th March, 1904. [7]

## PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR STRAITS, TO SAIL REMARKS.

YOKOHAMA, via SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE. (Passing through the Inland Sea.)  
FORMOSA ... B. H. W. Snow ... About 5th April ... Freight and Passage.

LONDON, &c. ... BALLAARAT ... C. R. Longdon, R.N.E. ... Noon, 9th April ... See Special Advertisement.

SHANGHAI ... MALTA ... C. L. Daniel ... About 10th April ... Freight and Passage.

LONDON AND ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES ... MALACCA ... A. F. Street ... About 13th April ... Freight and Passage.

For further Particulars, apply to  
E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.  
Hongkong, 30th March, 1904. [1]

## HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

OSTASIATISCHER FRACHTDAMPFER DIENST.

Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS in the LEVANT, BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS, NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATE.
ABESSINIA	(ST. NAZAIRE, HAVRE and HAMBURG)	On 2nd April. Freight.
BRISGAVIA	(Calling at Singapore and Colombo)	On 12th April. Freight.
SUEVIA	(HAVRE and HAMBURG)	On 25th April. Freight.
ARTEMISIA	(Calling at Singapore and Penang)	On 3rd May. Freight.
MARBURG	(HAVRE and HAMBURG)	On 17th May. Freight.
STRASBURG	(Calling at Singapore and Penang)	On 31st May. Freight & Passengers.

For Further Particulars, apply to  
HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, HONGKONG OFFICE, QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, No. 1.

## IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG.

PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS; ALSO LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

STEAMERS WILL CALL AT GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS and LUGGAGE.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

MARBURG .....	HAYRE and HAMBURG .....	} On 17th May. Freight
Capt. Stern .....	(Calling at Singapore and Penang) ...	
STRASSBURG .....	HAYRE and HAMBURG .....	} Freight



# OCEAN STEAM SHIP CO., LD. AND CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD. JOINT SERVICES.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.  
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,  
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA,  
AND SUMATRA PORTS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"JASON"	On 5th April.	
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"ACHILLES"	On 10th April.	
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"ALCINOUS"	On 16th April.	
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"HYSON"	On 17th April.	
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"PROMETHEUS"	On 24th April.	
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"DEUCALION"	On 1st May.	
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"ULYSSES"	On 7th May.	
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"DARDANUS"	On 20th May.	

## HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
LONDON AND ANTWERP	"MACHAON"	On 12th April.	
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"IDOMENEUS"	On 14th April.	
LONDON AND ANTWERP	"TELEMACHUS"	On 26th April.	
LONDON AND ANTWERP	"JASON"	On 10th May.	
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"ACHILLES"	On 20th May.	

## TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA NAHASAKI, KOBÉ & YOKOHAMA	"HYSON"	On 19th April.	

The s.s. "ANANI" left Port Darwin on the 30th inst., for Manila and Hongkong.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to—  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.  
Hongkong, 30th March, 1904. [10-11]

# CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
SHANGHAI	"WIAWIA"	On 4th April.	
MANILA	"KAIFONG"	On 6th April.	
LOILO	"WUCHANG"	On 7th April.	
SWATOW and TIENSIN	"CHIHU"	On 7th April, 4 p.m.	
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"CHINGTU"	On 8th April.	

The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light, Unrivalled Table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for all New Zealand Ports and other Australian Ports.

REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND AUSTRALIAN PORTS (See Special Advertisement).

For Freight or Passage, apply to—  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.  
Hongkong, 30th March, 1904. [12]

## COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS—POSTES FRANCAIS.

### NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERY, CALCUTTA, BOMBAY, ADEN, DJIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX; ALSO PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON TUESDAY, the 5th April, 1904, at 1 p.m., the Company's Steamship "ARMAND BEHIC," Captain Flandin, with Mail, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES via Ports of Call, WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT.

This Steamer connects at COLOMBO with the Australian line s.s. "Oceanic," bound for MARSEILLES via BOMBAY and ADEN. Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon only on Monday, the 4th April. Specie and Parcels received until 4 p.m. on the same day. No Cargo will be received on board on Tuesday. Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1904. [12]

## NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA.

(Florida and Euboea United Companies).

## STEAM FOR BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

Having connection with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LEGHORN and GENOA, also VENICE and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC, IONIAN and GULF and BAGDAD, also BARCELONA, VALENZA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA and MALAGA.

## THE Steamship

"CAPRI"

Captain Balsani will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 13th April, at Noon. At Bombay the Steamer is discharging in Victoria Dock.

For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to—  
CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1904. [14]

## REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL (WITH LIBERTY LINE CALL AT PHILIPPINE PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1904.

"SAINT IRENE" ... 29th April.

For Freight and further information, apply to DODWELL & CO., LD., Agents.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1904. [1125]

## AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR FIUME AND TRIESTE (DIRECT), Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, KARACHI, ADEN, SUZ and PORT SAID. (Taking Cargo at through rates to the BRAZILS, SOUTH AFRICA, PERSIAN GULF, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, VENICE and ADRIATIC PORTS).

## THE Company's Steamship

"TRIESTE"

Captain Mecozzi, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 20th April, p.m.

For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to—  
SANDER, WISLER & CO., Agents.

Princes Building, Hongkong, 29th March, 1904. [3]

## FOR CANTON.

THE newest fast Twin-Screw Steamer

"SAN CHEUNG"

951 Tons, Captain A. Murphy, will leave for Canton at 8.30 p.m., on SUNDAYS, TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS and return to Hongkong on the following days, leaving Canton at 5 p.m. Excellent accommodation, electric light, and perfect cuisine. Wharf at Hongkong near Harbour Office.

First-class Fare, \$3 each way. Second-class, \$1.50 each way. Meals, \$1 each.

Cargo Freight very moderate.

CHEUNG ON STEAMBOAT CO., LD.

No. 147, Connaught Road Central, Hongkong, 15th March, 1904. [72]

## GRACA & CO., FOREIGN AND COLONIAL STAMP DEALERS.

No. 58, PEEL STREET, HONGKONG.

Will be glad to send STAMPS on approval to any address on receipt of satisfactory references.

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AGENTS WANTED.

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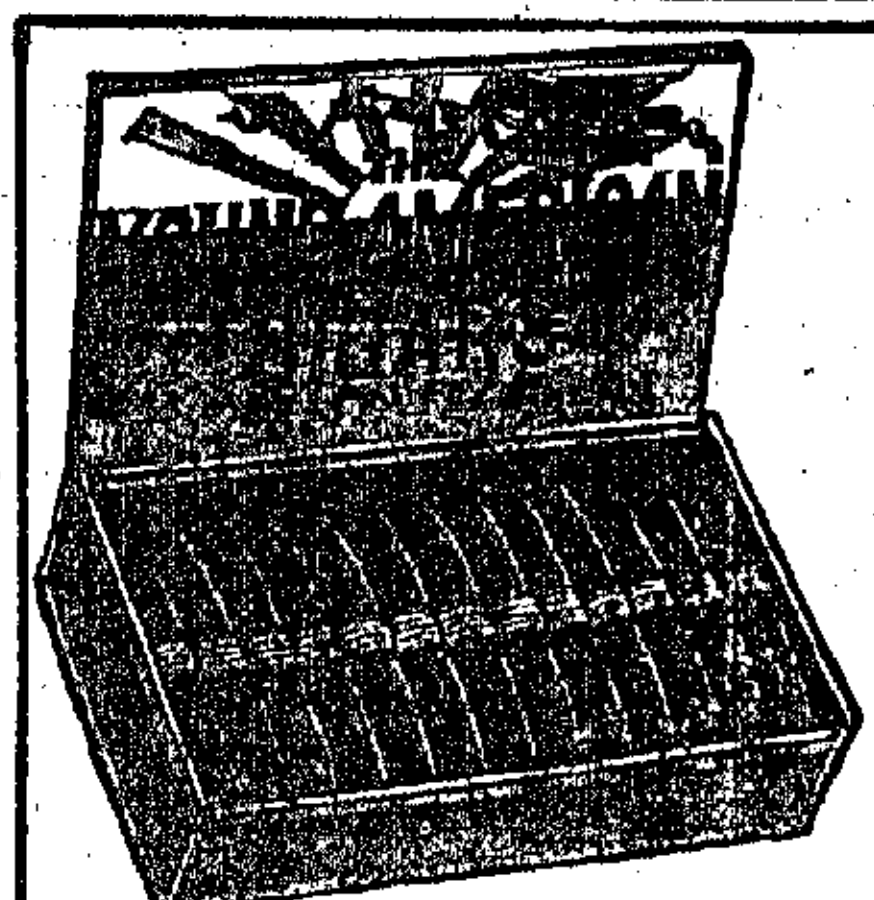
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